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Comment. On 5 October 1948, the Bangkok Post reported that Vu Xuan Truoc, "of the Viet Nam Delegation in Bangkok", was the Vietnamese representative at a recent meeting of the Indian community in honor of Gandhi's birthday.)

1. Vu Xuan Truoc was born in Tonkin in about 1913 of a middle-class family. He completed his Etudes Primaires Superieures in about 1935, went to Saigon where he became a "quite prosperous" building contractor, and subsequently married. The autumn violence of 1945 in Saigon destroyed his business and scattered his family.

2. Truoc then followed the guerrillas during their retreat to the extreme south of Cochinchina, and came to Bangkok at the beginning of 1946 at the same time as the Tran Van Giau group. He made determined efforts to learn English, and his job as a receptionist in Nghia Loi's tailor shop [redacted] provided contact with English-speaking foreigners. His use of the language improved to the point of seeking affiliation with the Viet Nam News Service. One of Truoc's ambitions is to become an important Viet Minh member.

3. After a probationary period of nine months and complete submission to the Viet Minh, Truoc was elected president (sic) of the Bangkok Chi Bo of the Overseas Vietnamese Association for National Welfare, or Secretary of the Viet Nam Mutual Assistance Association. [REDACTED] Comment. [REDACTED] reported Le Van Long as the Bangkok president of the Viet Nam Mutual Assistance Association in March 1948. [REDACTED] dated May 1948, stated that Le Van Nam was the chief of the open Bangkok Chi Bo.) [REDACTED] Comment. Truoc's election required the approval of the Viet Minh Tong Bo of Bangkok.) 25X1A2g

4. In April 1948, Truoc married a Vietnamese girl who is pro-Viet Linh but uninstructed in Communist doctrine. Her maiden name was Buu Lien, and she was formerly a nurse in the French hospital at Vientiane. She is a member of the Vietnamese Women's Association.

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5. Truoc is short (about five feet tall), and is suspected of being in the secondary stages of tuberculosis. He is rather dull and slow, but obstinate and ambitious. Comment. He has all the qualities of a figurehead.)
6. Captain Rollet (Louis Jacques Rollet-Andriane), Assistant Military Attache at the French Legation in Bangkok, patronizes Nghia Loi's tailor shop and has made the acquaintance of Vu Xuan Truoc. According to Truoc, Rollet is a fine man and a generous customer. Truoc has stated that Rollet expressed a desire to discuss the Franco-Vietnamese problem with him and to ask him for his opinion.

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